



**DECLARATION (37 CFR 1.63) FOR UTILITY OR DESIGN APPLICATION USING AN
APPLICATION DATA SHEET (37 CFR 1.76)**

Title of Invention

**DEVICE AND METHOD FOR MONITORING BODY FLUID AND ELECTROLYTE
DISORDERS**

As the below named inventor(s), I/we declare that:

This declaration is directed to:

- ☐ The attached application, or
- ☒ Application No. 10/699,610, filed on October 30, 2003,
- ☐ as amended on _____ (if applicable);

I/we believe that I/we am/are the original and first inventor(s) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought;

I/we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified application, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above;

I/we acknowledge the duty to disclose to the United States Patent and Trademark Office all information known to me/us to be material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56, including for continuation-in-part applications, material information which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT International filing date of the continuation-in-part application.

All statements made herein of my/our own knowledge are true, all statements made herein on information and belief are believed to be true, and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. 1001, and may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

FULL NAME OF INVENTOR(S)

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Date:

June 26, 2004

Signature: Joseph M. Schmitt

Citizen of:

United States

Inventor 2 Martin Debreczeny

Date:

6/17/2004

Signature: Mart Deb

Citizen of:

United States

Inventor 3 _____

Date: _____

Signature: _____

Citizen of: _____

Inventor 4 _____

Date: _____

Signature: _____

Citizen of: _____

☐ Additional inventors are being named on additional form(s) attached hereto.

**STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 3.73(b)**Applicant/Patent Owner: Joseph M. Schmitt and Martin DebreczenyApplication No./Patent No.: 10/699,610Filed/Issue Date: October 30, 2003Entitled: DEVICE AND METHOD FOR MONITORING BODY FLUID AND ELECTROLYTE DISORDERSNellcor Puritan Bennett Incorporated, a corporation

(Name of Assignee)

(Type of Assignee, e.g., corporation, partnership, university, government agency, etc.)

states that it is:

1. ☒ the assignee of the entire right, title, and interest; or
2. ☐ an assignee of less than the entire right, title and interest.
The extent (by, percentage) of its ownership interest is _____%

in the patent application/patent identified above by virtue of either:

- A. ☒ An assignment from the inventor(s) of the patent application/patent identified above. The assignment was recorded in the United States Patent and Trademark Office at Reel _____, Frame _____, or for which a copy thereof is attached.

OR

- B. ☐ A chain of title from the inventor(s), of the patent application/patent identified above, to the current assignee as shown below:

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Reel _____, Frame _____, or for which a copy thereof is attached.☐ Additional documents in the chain of title are listed on a supplemental sheet.☐ Copies of assignments or other documents in the chain of title are attached.

[NOTE: A separate copy (i.e., the original assignment document or a true copy of the original document) must be submitted to Assignment Division in accordance with 37 CFR Part 3, if the assignment is to be recorded in the records of the USPTO. See MPEP 302.8]

The undersigned (whose title is supplied below) is authorized to act on behalf of the assignee.

7/15/04

Date

925-463-4436

Telephone number

Daniel B. Lantry

Typed or printed name

Signature

Assistant Secretary

Title

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Attorney Docket No.: 009103-017211
Client Reference No.: P0277R-01

ASSIGNMENT OF PATENT APPLICATION

JOINT

WHEREAS, Joseph M. Schmitt of 900G Brookside Drive, Andover, Massachusetts 01810; and Martin Debreczeny of 310 Freitas Court, Danville, California 94526 hereinafter referred to as "Assignors," are the inventors of the invention described and set forth in the below-identified application for United States Letters Patent:

Title of Invention: DEVICE AND METHOD FOR MONITORING BODY
 FLUID AND ELECTROLYTE DISORDERS

Filing Date: October 30, 2003

Application No.: 10/699,610; and

WHEREAS, Nellcor Puritan Bennett Incorporated, of 4280 Hacienda Drive, Pleasanton, California 94588, hereinafter referred to as "ASSIGNEE," is desirous of acquiring an interest in the invention and application and in any U.S. Letters Patent and Registrations which may be granted on the same;

For good and valuable consideration, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged by Assignors, Assignors have assigned, and by these presents do assign to Assignee all right, title and interest in and to the invention and application and to all foreign counterparts (including patent, utility model and industrial designs), and in and to any Letters Patent and Registrations which may hereafter be granted on the same in the United States and all countries throughout the world, and to claim the priority from the application as provided by the Paris Convention. The right, title and interest is to be held and enjoyed by Assignee and Assignee's successors and assigns as fully and exclusively as it would have been held and enjoyed by Assignors had this Assignment not been made, for the full term of any Letters Patent and Registrations which may be granted thereon, or of any division, renewal, continuation in whole or in part, substitution, conversion, reissue, prolongation or extension thereof.

Assignors further agree that they will, without charge to Assignee, but at Assignee's expense, (a) cooperate with Assignee in the prosecution of U.S. Patent applications and foreign counterparts on the invention and any improvements, (b) execute, verify, acknowledge and deliver all such further papers, including patent applications and instruments of transfer, and (c) perform such other acts as Assignee lawfully may request to obtain or maintain Letters Patent and Registrations for the invention and improvements in any and all countries, and to vest title thereto in Assignee, or Assignee's successors and assigns.

Assignors hereby authorize and request Townsend and Townsend and Crew LLP, Two Embarcadero Center, Eighth Floor, San Francisco, CA 94111-3834, to insert herein above the application number and filing date of said application when known.

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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, Assignors have signed their names on the dates indicated.

Dated: 26 June 04

Joseph M. Schmitt
Joseph M. Schmitt

STATE OF MA

COUNTY OF ESSEX

ss.

On June 26 2004, before me, _____,
personally appeared Joseph M. Schmitt, personally known to me (or proved to me on the
basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and
acknowledged to me that he executed the same in his authorized capacity, and that by his signature on the
instrument the person, or the entity upon behalf of which the person acted, executed the instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

Michelle Valente
Notary Public
My Commission Expires
August 7, 2009

Michelle Valente
NOTARY PUBLIC

My Commission Expires: _____

Dated: 6/17/04

Martin Debreczeny
Martin Debreczeny

STATE OF California

COUNTY OF _____

ss.

On 17 June 2004, before me, Debra S. Hernandez,
personally appeared Martin Debreczeny, personally known to me (or proved to me on the
basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and
acknowledged to me that he executed the same in his authorized capacity, and that by his signature on the
instrument the person, or the entity upon behalf of which the person acted, executed the instrument.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

Debra S. Hernandez
NOTARY PUBLIC

My Commission Expires: Nov. 4, 2006

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